

REMARKS

The present amendment is submitted herewith to amend claims 9 and 18. These proposed changes are merely editorial in nature. Claim 9 has been amended to make its language more consistent with apparatus claims, and claim 18 has been amended to remove an extra space.

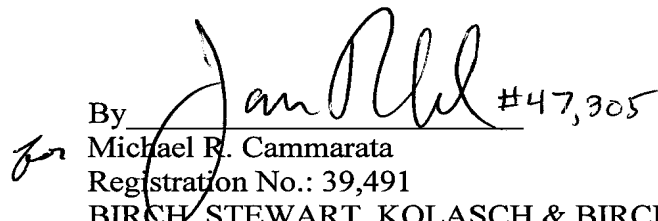
The proposed changes do not add new matter nor do they raise any new issues. Accordingly, entry thereof is requested.

CONCLUSION

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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